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Village Election a Quiet Affair

Carlstadt Village Council for 1915
F. E. McDiarmid, Mayor
W. M. Cotter
S. F. McEwen

Less than twenty voters were cast at the village election Monday, F. E. McDiarmid receiving the largest number of votes, seventeen. W. M. Cotter was next with a poll of sixteen, and Dr. S. F. McEwen was third with fifteen votes. E. C. Hegy was the fourth candidate.

Sec.-Treas. V. E. Starr was Returning Officer, and the election was held in his office.

W. M. Cotter has been mayor during the past year, and Mr. McDiarmid was also on the council. The only new member is Dr. McEwen, who, until last year, was secretary-treasurer of the town.

So it will be seen that the 1915 council will be composed of men of experience in the affairs of the town, and men who should be able to look after the common interests in an able manner.

Murray Goes to Montreal

James Murray, B. S. A., general manager for Canada of the Canadian Wheatlands Co. Ltd., of Suffield, Alberta, and formerly superintendent of the Dominion Experimental Farm, at Brandon, has been appointed professor of cereal husbandry at McGill University. He will assume his duties at Montreal early in the New Year.—Grain Growers' Guide.

Yesterday was the Women's Auxiliary annual bazaar.

All of our customers are pleased with

WESTERN QUEEN Flour

Many of them tell us it is the best flour that they have ever used. You can get it from us or any of the leading grocery stores in town.

We carry the best in feed that can be bought and sell it for less than the usual prices on poor stuff. If you are not our customers, come in and have a talk with us. We have bought several cars of good shorts. Have a look at them and see the difference between good shorts and poor shorts. We have both.

WIEST GRAIN Company

N. E. STUART, Manager.

A Pleasant Evening

Last Friday evening in the Ad-nao hall, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Wood entertained a large number of friends. Artistic decorations beautified the hall. The occasion was a whist drive, there being nine tables and a most enjoyable time passed in this way. Mrs. A. J. Theroux won the ladies prize, a creamer and sugar bowl. Mr. W. G. Solland, winner of the gentlemen's prize, received a fine deck of cards and case. Mrs. C. F. Starr and F. J. Baiken were presented with a doll and a tin horn respectively, as consolation prizes. A toothsome luncheon of dainties was served by the hostess. Following this, the floor was cleared and dancing enjoyed in until rather early, when the guests bade Mr. and Mrs. Wood goodnight with many thanks and encomiums for the very pleasant evening.

Speedy Coyote Hounds

Indications are, that by spring, coyotes will be rather scarce in this section of the country. Al. Cole has made two trips into the country during the past ten days, and each time returned with three of the animals. His own Russian hound "Rough" and A. F. Eoster's pup hounds "Boze" and "Whiskey" recently purchased in Okotoks, are probably the fastest running dogs ever in this vicinity. Ordinarily, they can give a coyote forty rods start, and catch it before it has gone another forty, and killing is sure and quick.

Clint Adams, of Tide Lake, was in the Hat, Wednesday.

KING COUNCIL FOR 1915 ELECTED MONDAY

Heavy Vote Recorded by Advocates of Present Pound Law.—Only two of Last Year's Council Returned.—Three Votes at Helgoland

King Council for 1915
A. F. Foster.
T. H. Harris.
C. Rasmussen.
A. Trueman.
Wm. Hunter.
J. M. Caines.

The ratepayers of King municipality spoke in no uncertain tones at the election Monday in favor of the men who stood for closed season pound law. A heavy vote was cast in nearly all the districts, with the exception of Helgoland, where

only three qualified electors turned out.

Of the newly elected councilmen, Messrs. Trueman and Caines are the only ones who hold over from this year. Messrs. Labl and Foughty, who also were standing for re-election, were defeated on the pound law question.

J. C. Anderson, Sec.-Treas. of the municipality, was Returning Officer. Below is shown the vote for the various candidates at each polling place:

	Helgoland	Royal John	J. M. Blue	Tripola	Total
A. F. Foster	3	9	15	23	28
T. H. Harris	3	10	14	21	28
C. Rasmussen	3	9	10	23	17
A. Trueman	3	7	14	10	18
Wm. Hunter	3	4	6	15	16
J. M. Caines	3	6	10	11	13
W. S. Benjamin	—	7	7	16	10
John Labl	—	7	10	6	11
J. M. Foughty	—	7	4	4	10

Personal and Local Items

No school yesterday or today. Miss Nicholson being ill.

Mrs. W. H. R. Iles and daughter, of Suffield, were here Sunday.

C. H. Woolven, of Calgary, visited his mother, Mrs. F. C. Woolven, Sunday. Claude is with the P. Burns Co.

Invitations are out for the farewell dance for Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wagner, next Monday evening.

Tonight there will be a special drill of the Home Guards, it being C. H. Wagner's last drill with them before his departure for England.

There will be a special Christmas dinner at the Carlstadt hotel, beginning at 4:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Some people are so busy supervising other people's business, that they have no time to attend to their own.

Two cars of hay have been shipped here by the government, but as yet, no instructions have been received as to the disposal of it.

C. H. Wagner had as guest on Sunday his brother, A. C. L. Wagner, of Calgary, C. P. R. Gasoline Expert.

King Municipality
Gentlemen: To all who worked and voted for me, I tender my hearty thanks, and it will be my earnest endeavor to retain the confidence thereby shown in me.—Yours truly, T. H. Harris.

B. F. Hanson was in the Hat this week, returning Wednesday.

Mark Wilson returned this week from a trip to the St. Paul market with eight cars of cattle.

D. L. McKellar, of Pefferlaw, left Tuesday evening to spend the winter at his old home, Glenora, Ont.

Mrs. E. K. Johnson left Monday evening for New York, N.Y., where she will spend the winter.

There has been many changes among the C. P. R. officials during the past fortnight.

Miss Clara Lockren, who went from here to Minneapolis for an operation last summer, has recovered, and this week went to Camrose, on the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Lockren.

Frank W. Shields has charge of the A. J. Drummond store in the absence of the proprietor. Mr. Shields also is taking the applications for government seed grain.

J. E. Goddard was down from Calgary last Saturday, on business. Year that city he is wintering part of his stock, and will return to his farm at Jenner, in the spring.

A train of thirty freight cars loaded with heavy cannon passed through Carlstadt Wednesday, enroute from Pittsburg to Vancouver. They are to be used for coast defense.

A. J. Drummond underwent an operation in the Medicine Hat hospital last Saturday morning. He is recovering nicely and will probably be able to return home by the New Year.

Bro. Newton, traveller for L. T. Newburn Co., Calgary, was here this week on his regular semi-monthly visit. He reports business improving all over southern Alberta, and spoke especially of the increase of business in the busy burg.

Tripola

A shooting match will be held at McCracken's on Tuesday December 22nd.

The old year will be danced out, and the new one, in, at the Tripola schoolhouse.

Christmas Nearly Here

Next Friday is Christmas Day, gladdest of all holidays. Let there be "Peace on earth, goodwill toward men" in the hearts of all of us. Also, in our own comforts, let us remember those less fortunate, whose Christmas joy may be with-out cheer unless we remember them. Let us scatter joy to all around, and it will indeed be the "happiest day of all the year."

At various points throughout the district there will be Yuletide entertainments.

In Carlstadt, Christmas eve, the children of the Methodist Sunday School will give a program, followed by a tree and treat for all the children. Everyone is invited.

On Sunday December 27th, at Rainey Valley, Unity Young People's Society will have a Christmas tree and program, to which all are invited. There will be a treat for all.

There will be a concert and Christmas tree at Royal schoolhouse the evening of December 24th. No charge.

At the Suffield Town Hall, on Christmas eve, the school children of Suffield will give their annual Christmas entertainment. Every one welcome.

Under the auspices of the Tide Lake school, a Christmas entertainment will be given at that school house on December 21st. There will be a tree and a treat for the children. A dance will follow. All welcome.

Rainey Valley school entertainment is set for Tuesday December 22nd.

Congratulations

To the newly elected village and rural municipality councilmen, the News extends congratulations.

Wonder What She Did?

One of our Williamsport schools has a pretty girl as its teacher, but she was much troubled because many of her pupils coming late every morning. At last she announced that she would kiss the first pupil to arrive the next morning. At sunrise the three largest boys of her class were sitting on the doorstep and by seven o'clock every boy in school and three directors were waiting for her to arrive.—Edmonton County Republican, Hazelton, N.D.

It's Time to End the Dry Spell

"Forsaken, Forsaken, Forsaken, Am I" is the song of Carlstadt's town well. Dug and equipped with pump and wind engine, hundreds of dollars of the taxpayers' money have been expended. And now it stands, a silent monument to the council of 1914.

"Such people as use water must look for it to one of three sources: (1) The station, which supply is limited and may be cut off at any time. (2) The livery stables, at 25c per barrel. (3) Hauled in from the country at a higher cost.

What business man or what farmer is there, who would handle his own affairs in this way? Not one of a thousand would give up as long as he had it in his power to improve matters.

It cannot be said that the well is an impossibility, for what man has done, man can do. On either side is a livery stable well, giving good water in unlimited quantity. It has been a hoodoo, true enough, but the council has taken on themselves the overseeing of just such affairs. It is in their power, and their's alone, to finish the job.

We made these remarks fully knowing that it is easy to criticize, and that the 1914 council have been handicapped for money. Our point is, that it is false economy, even at this time, to try to save in this regard.

Labor is plentiful and a small stream can be dug very reasonably, an inexpensive wooden pump put in it, and the whole thing put in working order before the New Year. It is not too late for the 1914 council to finish their work.

We would again urge our subscribers who are overdue to pay up at once. Carlstadt News.

Copy for advertisements for next weeks' issue MUST be in the News Office by Tuesday evening.

MISCELLANEOUS ADS

WANTED—Small carpet or rug. Must be cheap for cash. Apply News office.

Flour and feed for sale at the Farmers Elevator, Friday and Saturday of each week. Your patronage is solicited.
C. O. Olsen, Agent.

WE HAVE DECLARED

war on the cold weather and ask you help us keep the enemy at bay by getting your next coal from **FINLAY and COMPANY**. We now have lots on hand. All kinds of Lumber and Firewood.

C. H. WAGNER, Manager, Carlstadt.

... OUR MOTTO ... small profits-quick returns —and we mean to live up to it—

Evaporated Apples for this week, per lb 10c	Tomatoes, first pick 3's, 2 cans for... 25c
Eggs, per dozen... 35	Rice, 4 lbs... 25
Cleaned Currants, 1 lb packets, 2 for... 25	Corn, 2's, 2 tins... 25
Currents, bulk per lb... 10	Pas, 2's, 2 tins... 25
Raisins, per packet... 10	Onions, 6 lbs... 25
Mince Meat, fresh, 2 pounds... 25	Brown Beans, 4 lbs... 25
Shredded coconut, lb... 30	Pure lard, 3's, per can... 50
Mixed Nuts, per lb... 25	" " 10's " " \$1.55
Shelled almonds, lb... 60	
Shelled walnuts, lb... 60	Coffee Coffee
California White Figs 2 lbs... 25	Our well known brand 35
Naval Oranges, large, per dozen... 35	3 lbs... \$1.00
Lombard Plums, can... 15	A fresh lot just in
Fry's Chocolates in fancy boxes	Jams
	Strawberry, Raspberry etc. 5 pound can... 60
	" " " " 25

B.C. Sugar, per 20lb sack \$1.60

Choice No. 1 Apples, only \$1.75 per box.

JOHN COFFIN

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Carlstadt, Alberta.

HERBERT S. KETCHUM, Proprietor.

Card of thanks, 30 cents. Local ads among reading matter, 10c per line first insertion, 5c per line each following insertion.

Announcements of entertainments, etc., conducted by churches, societies, etc., where admission is charged, at half price. Where the object is not to make money, the notices will be published free.

Legal Notices, 12c per line first insertion, 6c per line each subsequent insertion. Display advertising rates on application.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17

Calendars for 1916 are now being handed out by the business people reminding us that another year is nearly ended.

Next Monday is the shortest day of the year.

Happy is the man who can forget the mean things he knows about himself.

War taxes are being levied on many articles in the States. Also some businesses are being assessed. Theaters and concert halls must pay \$25 to \$100; brokers, \$10 to \$50; dealers in tobacco, \$3 to \$6; pool rooms and bowling alleys, \$5 for table and alley; commission merchants, \$20. Special stamps must be bought and affixed to all telegrams, etc. It would seem that the people in that country feel the effect of the war a great deal more than we do.

Some idea of the immense size of a British warship may be gained from the fact that it requires an entire train load of meat and potatoes alone to provision it.

One million dollars has been set aside by the Dominion government for seed grain for the settlers in the drought area of southern Alberta and southwestern Saskatchewan.

Government returns show an increase of 40% in the area under cultivation in the west this fall compared with last year.

Make Me a Cowboy Again
Backward, turn backward, O Time with your wheels,

Aeroplane, wagons and automobile! Dress me once more in sombrero and flaps,

Spoons and a flannel shirt, slicker and chaps;

Put a six shooter or two in my hand;

Show me a yearling to rope and to brand;

Out where the sagebrush is dusty and gray—

Make me a cowboy again for a day!

Give me broncho that knows how to dance,

Buckskin of color and wicked of glance,

New to the feeling of bridle and bit;

Give me a quirt that will string where it hits;

Strap on the poncho behind in a roll;

Pam me the lariat dear to my soul;

Over the trail let me gallop away—

Make me a cowboy again for a day!

Thunder of hoofs on the range, as we ride;

Hissing of iron and smoking of hide;

Bellow of cattle and moan of cayuse;

Short horns from Texas as wild as the deuce;

Midnight stampede and the milling of herds;

Yells of the cowmen, too angry for words;

Right in the thick of it all I would stay—

Make me a cowboy again for a day!

Under the star-studded canopy vast

Campfire and coffee and comfort at last

(Bacon that sizzles and crisps in the pan.

After the roundup, smells good to a man.)

Stories of ranchers and rustlers re- told

Over the pupes, as the embers grow cold—

These are the tunes that old memories play—

Make me a cowboy again for a day!

The Late Lord Roberts



Fourscore and two, and a soldier to the last.

You gave to Britain brain and valor—life;

And age's cold blood boiled when Britain's fate

Hung, trembling, in the greatest nation's strife.

WIFE SHOULD BE A PARTNER

of Husband Instead of a Servant which Present Laws Make Her. One Reason Why U. S. Women Keep Away from Canada

One of the most striking features of a recent convention in Regina was the address of Miss Cora E. Hinds, commercial editor of The Manitoba Free Press. She told of the work of the women upon the farm, and the reason for the falling off of the immigration from the United States was the attitude of the women folk who would not come to a country where woman had no ownership in the land she assisted her husband to buy.

She said that in her long experience, during which she has attended almost every important farming movement or meeting held in the West, she has seldom heard the women given their just praise by the men. She said she had seen the failure and collapse of many colonization schemes, and has investigated the causes of many of them.

"All my life I have worked among men, and more and more do I appreciate the woman side of the problem. Women do not like to work hard over the wash tub, to assist in purchasing a bit of land or farm or house and have to say, 'I do not own it—he owns it.' I am

Roughly speaking, Christmas presents are divided into two classes—Those you don't want and those you don't get.

STRATHMORE U.F.A. PREPARING FOR ANNUAL CONVENTION

PASS THREE IMPORTANT RESOLUTIONS TO PRESENT TO DELEGATES

A number of important resolutions were passed at a recent meeting of the Strathmore local U.F.A., which are to be presented at the annual convention in Edmonton, the latter part of January.

One of the resolutions is that the election of officers be held on the last day of the convention, instead of the first day, as at present. The present system does not give the delegates a sufficient opportunity to know the men for whom they are voting.

Another one of the resolutions embodies a scheme of banking improvement. It is as follows, moved by Henry Sorenson, seconded by M. E. Bly:

Whereas: The banking monopoly in Canada is one of the greatest detriments to the promotion of the farming industry;

Whereas: The present laws governing the banking system in Canada are along the line of establishing and maintaining a monopoly;

Be it therefore resolved: That we respectfully request the Provincial Government to modify the present banking act to suit the purpose, to amend the Rural Municipality act so as to allow the use of Rural Municipality bonds when voted upon by ratepayers, to the amount of ten per cent of the assessable value of the lands in the Rural Municipality, as a fund for the municipalities to each own and operate its own bank under a special act to safeguard the general run of the business; and that the control of inspectors appointed outside of party politics, the profits of the bank to be used for any expenditures in the municipality which the ratepayers might desire. The banking bonds of the Municipality to have priority after the bonds which the present municipality act provides may be used for development work in the municipality, and which amounts to 5 per cent of the assessable value of the lands.—Farmers' Tribune.

RETAIL MERCHANTS AND "MADE-IN-CANADA" POLICY

Patriotism and Self-interest Prompt Sale of Home Made Articles—Reduce Unemployment and Charity

Practical action by the Quebec branch of the Retail Merchants' Association of Canada was taken at a meeting held in Montreal immediately after the outbreak of the war. The following letter from the Quebec Secretary of the Association, Mr. J. A. Healey, offers a solution to the retailer and his customer alike. Every Canadian housewife should bear in mind this timely statement when she goes into the corner store to make her next purchase:

For years past, millions of dollars worth of goods have been imported to Canada from the countries involved in the war. These importations have now practically stopped, and may not be resumed for a very considerable period. The consequence is that the price of all imported goods has very materially increased, and will continue to increase in proportion to the excess of the demand upon the supply, and we shall not be surprised to see the supply completely exhausted within a very short time. This fact is creating some concern in the minds of the public, who seem to believe that the merchant is responsible for such an increase.

We think it would be advisable for you to point out to your customers that in their purchases they should give preference to goods made in Canada, which would avoid paying such high prices, and would help to keep the Canadian factories busy thereby giving employment to Canadians who, at this particular time are so much in need of earning as much as possible.

To encourage home industries is a good policy at all times, but should be effected upon at this trying period for self-preservation, and we strongly suggest that you co-operate with your customers in this matter, thereby doing your share in educating the public to this end, and by so doing, greatly helping the cause.

HOW WAR TIME ALTERS ROUTINE IN ENGLAND

The proud boast "an Englishman's home is his castle" does not appear during the present war. There are some of the things the naval and military authorities may do under the Defense of the Realm Act, passed by Parliament.

Take possession of any land, building, gas, electricity, water works, sources of supply, horses, automobile or any other means of transport. Cause any building, factory, or other property to be moved or destroyed, and order the inhabitants to leave an given area necessary for naval or military purposes.

On saloons, entertainers, or during specified hours.

Enter by force, if need be, an house or ship which is suspected of being used to the prejudice of the state.

Arrest, or order the arrest, without warrant, of any suspected person. Seize his property, or order it to be seized. Never shall be slaves, here is some of the things a free-born Briton may not do.

Loiter near a railway bridge. Give or sell liquor to a soldier or sailor on duty.

Spread reports by word of mouth or writing, near a defended area, likely to create alarm among the troops in civilian population.

Light fires or display lights of an description on hill tops or other big round or buildings without permission.

Tamper with or loiter near telephone or telephone lines.

WEARING THE PUTT E

How to Tell a Cavalryman From an Infantryman

When you see a man in khaki walk down the street with his legs apart, his hands in his pockets, and his feet in the knee-wound round it, it takes it may be interesting to be able to recognize at a glance which he is in the infantry or in a mounted regiment. The mounted man, you observe the manner in which the puttee has been put on.

He has started just above the boot and wound the puttee upward, tucking it in at the knee, so that he is an infantryman; but if, on the contrary, the puttee has been wound downwards, the extra fold of the puttee goes into the knee, so that he is a cavalryman.

Of course, the puttee is a horse's rascals that the freedom of action gives the man, is better explained as a rule as a rule as a rule.

The Law requires that any who take up stray horses or cattle advertise them in the nearest local paper.

COAL! COAL!

NOW is the time to lay in your winter's supply of coal. We handle all kinds of soft and hard coal. Prices are cheaper if you buy NOW.

C. F. Starr Lumber Co.

V. E. Starr, Manager Phone 13

Carlstadt Hotel

First class in very respect.

Rates, \$1.50 and \$2.00 per day.

Steam-heated.

Throughout.

Martin.

Stubs.

Prop.



Forcing a Safeguard

One of the most serious of military offences active service is the variety published by death—is known as "forcing a safeguard."

When an army is moving through an enemy's country its commander will often place sentries over the houses of well-disposed inhabitants to prevent their being looted or pillaged by his own men. Interference with such a "safeguard" is a military crime for which no "extenuating circumstances" are ever recognized.

Polonia Ponderings

Gordon Duncan who has just recently returned from the harvest fields in Saskatchewan, made Carlstadt a visit this week.

A school meeting was held at the schoolhouse on Saturday Eve, 12th when Wm. Hunter was appointed to fill the office of secretary-treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis entertained the following on Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gray, Mrs. Zimmerman and two children Bernice and Louis and C. A. Wallace.

Charlie Baldio who has been spending a few days with C. A. Wallace, returned to his home at Blue Grass on Thursday.

Frank Gray left on an extended trip to the States on Thursday. Frank's batching days will soon be over.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Mills called on Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Swift.

The WA of St Mary's church are sending today their consignment of money and work to the Red Cross Society, Calgary. The total contribution from the WA is up to date is: 140-bangles, 22 handkerchiefs, 22 pairs wristlets, 3 pairs socks, 1 Balachava cap and 833 in cash. One member alone, Miss Emily Brain, of Rainy Hills, contributed to the Red Cross and also sent 2 quilts to the Belgians.

Dr. Jack Dawson, who passed through Carlstadt last summer on his walk round the world for a purse of \$10,000, lost out. He was due in Australia by Christmas, to win, but missed the boat from Vancouver by two days.

T. Watson, who was here on business a couple of weeks ago from the Hail, arranged for cropping a portion of his land north of town.

There was no drill of the Home Guards last week, as Colonel Hughes was ill with tonsillitis.

Job Printing—Carlstadt News.

Excursions to Eastern Canada and United States. On Sale Dec. 1st.

Information from F. L. Brown, C. P. R. Agent, Carlstadt.

Planet Peculiarities.

The irregularities of the great crop of minor planets forming a ring between Mars and Jupiter are sensational. Several hundred of them are now known to follow their normal orbits between the two great planets. But in 1909 one of them—now called Eros—was found to cross the orbit of Mars, coming nearer to the earth's orbit than any other body, except the moon. In 1900 one of the planets was discovered going beyond the orbit of Jupiter, and now four with this peculiarity are known and have been named Achilles, Hector, Patroclus and Nestor.

Good Goodness.

"Why do you wish to be divorced from your husband, ma'am?"

"Well, for one thing, he comes home every day of his life smelling of Limburger cheese."

"And you don't like the odor?"

"It isn't that. He never brings any of the cheese home."—Chicago Tribune.

Worthy Its Name.

"Mr. Bacon—Something wrong with this hank this morning, dear."

"Mrs. Bacon—Why?"

"I don't know. It needs something."

"I can't think what it can be. I put in everything I could find."—Yonkers Statesman.

Pines of Things.

"Yes, sir: I can marry you and the girl, all right, but I can't get regular work. I'm a traveling preacher."

"Suit me all the better. I'm a traveling man."—Chicago Tribune.

Any who have lost old clothing please leave them with Mrs. E. H. Smith, or at Bean's store. The Ladies' Aid will distribute them to needy people.

LEGEND OF ALUMINUM.

Story Told by Pilny of Tiberius and a Metal Worker.

It is certain incident in Roman history, as related by Pilny, is given full credence, then it would seem that aluminum was derived by means of a secret process long before our time. The story is this: During the reign of Tiberius there one day appeared at the emperor's palace a worker in metals who displayed a magnificent cup made of a brilliant white metal that shone like silver. In presenting it to Tiberius the artificer purposely dropped it. The piece was so brutally ruined, but the metal worker took his hammer, and in the presence of the court quickly repaired the damage. It was thus evident to all that the metal was not silver, though it presented an appearance as brilliant as that metal. Besides, it was more durable and much lighter.

The emperor, Pilny relates, interrogated the metal worker, from whom it was learned that the mysterious metal had been extracted from an argillaceous earth, in all probability the clay known to modern chemists as alumina. Tiberius then asked whether any one but the metal worker knew of the process and received the reply that the secret was known only to the worker and Jupiter.

The answer was unfortunate, for, reached the emperor, if it were possible to obtain such a metal from so common a substance as clay, would not the value of gold and silver be reduced? Tiberius, it would seem, was determined to avert such a catastrophe, for he commanded the workshop of the discoverer of the new metal to be destroyed and the luckless man himself to be decapitated, so that the secret might die with him. Did the cruelty of Tiberius deprive the world for centuries of the use of the metal aluminum?

Sequel to an Amusing Mistake.

An amusing story is told of Mr. McKinnon Wood, who succeeded in holding his own in the St. Rollor by-election. The wife of "Mr. Speaker" introduced Mr. Wood, at a reception, to a lady, having previously mentioned that she was about to make him acquainted with the wife of a member of the Russian Duma. Mr. McKinnon Wood, being unable to speak the language of the Slavs, felt somewhat embarrassed, and endeavored to explain by signs and smiles, his lingual deficiency. The lady, somewhat to his surprise, though, perhaps, to his relief, said, "I would much prefer to converse in English," and added that she was Mrs. Austen Chamberlain. Mrs. Lowther, quite inadvertently, had introduced Mr. McKinnon Wood to the wrong lady.

It is not, perhaps, generally known that the member for the St. Rollor Division was originally introduced to the Bar, but instead took up business as a merchant. He made his mark in the London County Council, and is rather "learned," having contributed articles to the Encyclopaedia Britannica.

Middy's Trip.

The Earl of Beauchamp, who has completed his sixty-first year, is a man of affairs, with a varied career. For some years he was in the royal navy, serving as a midshipman under the late Duke of Cambridge, and sailing round the world. Later, he read for the Bar, to which he was called in 1878, and then took up Parliamentary career, serving in that capacity to Lord Salisbury and Mr. Gladstone.

For many years past Lord Beauchamp has been engaged in numerous business enterprises, and four years ago followed Lord Cotnam as chairman of the London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway.

Modest Abba Delle.

It is said that the French Abbe Delle once had in his household a very quiet tempered relative, with whom he sometimes had animated disputes and who sometimes went so far as to throw books at the abbe. The abbe must have been a person of great amiability and self control. Once, when a particularly large and heavy volume was thrown at him, he caught it gracefully and said:

"My dear friend, I must beg of you to remember that I prefer smaller gifts."

Sack and Baskin.

The expression "sack and baskin," when literal, means comedy and tragedy, found its origin in the "soccus," the Latin name of the low shoe worn by the ancient comic actors, and the baskin, a contraction of the French word "broquequin," formerly derived from the Greek "bursa," a hide or high solid shoe worn by the ancient tragic actors to increase their height. The soccus reached to the ankle only, whereas the baskin extended to the knee.

His Number.

He gazed tenderly into her eyes as the spinster.

"Life," she murmured dreamily, "is after all, nothing but a romance in which we are the characters, moving higher and on as the supreme subject of our being directed."

"And in the novel of your life," said he tenderly, "where do I cast?"

"You!" she answered with a smile. "Oh, you are—let me see—two, three—you are Chap Seventeen."

Too Good.

First Society Dame—How are the accounts of the new opera house?

Second Society Dame—Too good. Some people in the family said they could hear every word spoken in our box.

The Kind You Must Buy.

"Rather a light lunch."

"Yes, just a cup of coffee and a piece of utility pie."

"What kind of pie is utility pie?"

"No matter what kind you want, it is the kind you eventually buy."

MADERO'S GREAT PROBLEM.

Call of Madero People Must Be Satisfied to Bring About Peace.

President Madero, Mexico, has no political question to solve. The success of his administration depends entirely upon how he meets existing conditions. His greatest problem is to satisfy the people. There is a Zetina Dominguez, of Santa Maria, Coahuila, Mexico, who is acknowledged to be the greatest agricultural expert in that republic, and is known as the Barquent of Mexico. Three years he has been arguing advanced agriculture and has made several lecture trips over Mexico in a special train at his own expense. He sums up the situation in his country in a striking manner.

"With 4,000,000 persons hungry and the land in the hands of only 3,000 families, there can be no permanent peace in Mexico. When men are hungry it is easy to start a revolution. All a leader has to do is to start it by looting an hour they can make more than they can in a month or a year by work. With children crying for food, with no object in existence, and with no hope of a more prosperous future, they do not prize their lives highly."

"Some practical plan must be devised whereby the people can own their own homes. These great estates must be divided and sold. The people must be put in a way of supplying their daily wants and also providing that they have the means to make a happy home."

"The art of agriculture must be taught. Where four bushels of corn is now being produced to the acre the Mexicans must be taught how to produce 60 bushels. The same is true of other products. There is no need for a single man to be hungry or poor in Mexico. There is land in plenty for all."

"Madero was only an incident of the revolution. He had promised the people of Mexico a division of these estates. If he brings this to his administration will be a success and permanent peace will reign in Mexico. If he does not, then it is only a question of time until there is another uprising."

"The people are fighting for food for themselves and for their country, for the right to own their own homes, for the right to see their children educated and prospered. If Madero gives them this, he will be a great benefactor and will be the real savior of Mexico. If he does not, then there will be no permanent peace."

"The solution is partly in the hands of the great landowners. If they will let their land be used for the benefit of the people, they can do much to bring about contentment."

"On my farm each tenant is allowed a small plot of land free rent. That is for the use of himself and his children. When he is not busy with his work for me and I pay him fair and just wages."

"No one of my men took part in the revolution. Many agents tried to induce them to go. They were happy so the revolution was contented."

"With plenty to eat, with the ability to educate and provide for their children and with some outlook for their future, the people of Mexico did not disturb them. They had no interest in what was President of Mexico. The revolution meant nothing to them. They had what they desired."

"It was for just such a reason as the people of Mexico were fighting. Let the great landowners adopt such a policy and introduction in Mexico will be impossible."

Any Port In A Storm.

In a northern seaport town there is a way but little more than one or two many vessels and follows their course over the sea by aid of a large sloop and a sea horse power sailing vessel.

"We just had a letter," he said to a neighbor, "from one of my captives, and he says he's been in a fearful storm. I'll read you from this letter what puzzles me. He says: 'The waves rose like mountains. We were driven before the wind into the danger of our lives and put into great jeopardy.'"

"What I want to know," said the shipowner, "is where is Great Jeopardy? Is somewhere in the Mediterranean, but I can't find it on this map anywhere."—M.A.P.

The First Gingerbread.

The homely luxury, gingerbread, has been popular ever since the fourteenth century. It was then made and so in Paris. In those days it was prepared with rye meal made into a dough, and ginger and other spices, with sugar or honey, were kneaded into it. It was introduced into England by the court of Henry IV. for their festivals and was soon brought into general use, though being after a time employed in the manufacture instead of honey.

Sometimes Needed.

"Why do you have those glass cases with are, banner, crossbar, etc., on these cars?" asked a traveler on the railroad going to New York.

"Oh, those are put there in case any one wants a window open," replied the facetious man.

When the Steamer Wakes.

She—What did you mean by kissing me when I was asleep in the hammock going to New York?

He—I only took one little one.

She—You didn't. I counted at least seven before I woke.

No Malice.

Farmer (to horse dealer)—No, I don't bear ye no malice. I only hope when you're chased by a pack of 'arvin', 'angry wolves you'll be advising 'em that 'orse you sold me.—T.B.B.

Real Emotion.

"What sort of a part has Fish in the new play?"

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